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The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 28)

The Holy Eucharist Rite II

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Wherever you find yourself on your faith journey, you are not just welcome here; you are embraced and accepted.

We invite you to join us for the Word and Sacraments, which are God's gifts. It does not matter who you are, what you look like, what you have done in the past, or who you love. God's grace is not petty nor earned. It is radical, transformative, and universal. As such, we seek to mirror God's healing love by making this a safe place for skeptics, seekers, those whom the church has wounded, those who have never darkened its doors, those who have wandered away, new believers, and those who never left.

As a diverse community in God, we have discovered a unity more significant than our differences. We have come to know that our variety reflects the divine completeness of God. Engaging God is a lifelong process. Wherever you find yourself on your faith journey, God invites you to keep traveling. The Spirit of God drew you here in some subtle or profound way. Our hearts are open to God and to you.







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Prelude — Deb Harstine

Welcome — Bob Mossman

Call To Prayer — +++

All stand

Let us pray. Gracious God, who has created each of us in Your image; we ask for Your presence among us today as we strive to make this faith community a safe place for everyone. Help us to recognize Your face in all those entrusted to our care, as well as in those with whom we work. May our ministries and fellowship be blessed encounters with You and Your people. ***Amen***

Processional — "I Want to Walk as a Child of The Light" — Pg. 490

Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen***

Gloria in Excelsis — S-280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God, and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ,
only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray. Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning; grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen***

The Lessons

All be seated

Old Testament — Judges 4:1-7

A Reading from Judges

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So, the Lord sold them into the hands of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; Sisera, commander of his army, lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly for twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She sat under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the Israelites came to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm — Psalm 123

To you I lift up my eyes, * to you enthroned in the heavens.

As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, * and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

So, our eyes look to the Lord our God, * until he show us his mercy.

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, * for we have had more than enough of contempt,

Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, * and of the derision of the proud.

Epistles — 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

A Reading from The First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day will not surprise you like a thief; you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore, encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

All stand as able

Seq. — "Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding" — Pg. 59

The Gospel — Matthew 25:14-30

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them.

Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so, I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.'

But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return, I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Instrumental Music — Deb Harstine

All be seated

The Sermon — The Reverend Canon Patrick Funston

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake, he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried. On the third day, he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son, he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen*

The Prayers of the People

Kneeling or Standing as able

Lord, you give us the gift of life and call us to use it to better the world and glorify your name. Grant us courage to use your gift fearlessly and in joy, and hear us as we say,
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for those assembled in your Name to deepen their relationship with those in our community, for the wisdom to reach those who hunger for you, and to bring them into the work of loving and serving the world in your name
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for this nation and all nations. We pray for the life and the needs of all people and an end to policies of oppression. We pray for those who govern that they might have hearts for their people and prioritize those most in need.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who live and work here in El Dorado and this community of faith, that we might cling to hope and labor ceaselessly to build God's kingdom in our midst.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the health of the world, for sustainable policies that ensure the abundance of creation and the thriving of people and all your creatures.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for an end to illness and suffering. We pray for those who work to bring hope, healing, and assistance to those who are lost, marginalized, imprisoned, ill, suffering, persecuted, or broken.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for the promise of new life and for all who leave this life, hoping to be in your presence. May we, and all who came before and will come after us, enter your Kingdom to hear your praise: 'Well done, good and faithful servant.'
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Pray for St. John's Episcopal Church, Parsons the Reverend Kelley Lackey, and their lay leadership.

For the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Right Reverend and Honorable Dame Sarah Mullaly; our Presiding Bishop, Sean Rowe; Bishop-elect Whitney Rice, Father Les; all bishops and ministers; and all God's holy people.

Pray for South-Central Kansas Minster, the Reverend Kitty Shield, Minster Shepherd, St. Jude, Wellington; Trinity, Ark City; Epiphany, Sedan; Grace, Winfield; and their clergy and people.

We give thanks for the opportunity to gather as a community of skeptics, seekers, and believers, and to support the Family Life Center Safehouse, RISE Meals for the Homeless, Priscilla's Pet Pantry, and all of Trinity's outreach ministries.

Lord, hear these prayers and answer them as may be best for us, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. ***Amen***

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*

The Absolution

Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. ***Amen***

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Announcements

Birthday Blessing

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen***
Birthdays this week: Sara White, Kay Riggle, Brad Corkill

Offertory Sentence

Be trustworthy in your service to the Lord and give generously from what has been given to you. For the Lord blesses those who are faithful with what they have been given.

Instrumental Music — Deb Harstine

All things come from Thee, O Lord.
And of Thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer A

The Lord be with you.	**And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts.	**We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.	**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are a gracious and generous God. You bestowed abundant blessings on your people, and you call us to share them with one another, so that all may live and prosper and know the fullness of your grace.

Therefore, we join together with angels and archangels and all who love you as we sing this hymn of praise;

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Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

All stand or kneel

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." **+++**

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." **+++**

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. ***AMEN* +++**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. ***Amen***

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover, is sacrificed for us.
Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Invitation

This is the banquet of the Lamb. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow, and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is Christ's will that those who want him should meet him here.

These are the gifts of God for the People of God. Receive them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are invited to receive from God's Banquet table all the benefits, grace upon grace, of our Lord Jesus Christ's life, death, and resurrection.

The Post-Communion Prayer

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen***

The Blessing

*Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. And now the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. ***Amen***

Recessional "Rise Up, Ye Saints of God" Pg. 551

The Dismissal

Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn "Go Now in Love and Peace" *In the Pew*

Ministers of This Service

The Rev. Les Jackson, *Celebrant*
The Reverend Canon Patrick Funston, *Preacher*
Kathleen Mabry, *Usher*
Cherilyn Chiaro, *Flautist*
Denise Irwin, *Videographer*
Carol Turner, *Altar Guild*
David Reynolds, *Acolyte*
Bob Mossman, *Lector*
Deb Harstine, *Organist*
Shawna Hein, *Hospitality*
Cindy Badwey, *Counter*

Join us for coffee & fellowship following the service.

*The City is My Monastery: A Contemporary Rule of Life; Richard Carter, pg. 228